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SUBJECT: JOSEFA MARTINEZ FREED; LETELIER SOTOMAYOR, OTHERS EXPELLED

REF: A) BA 7606; B) STATE 298736

1. FORNMINISTRY HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING GROUP INFORMED EMBOFF TODAY (DEC. 10) THAT JOSEFA MARTINEZ HAS BEEN FREED. HE GAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS. (REFTEL A).

2. BRITISH EMBASSY TOLD EMBOFF TODAY THAT SERGIO LETELIER SOTOMAYOR LEFT FOR LONDON NOVEMBER 30 (REFTEL B). AN EXPULSION ORDER (APPARENTLY THE SECOND) WAS SIGNED AROUND NOV. 18. HE HAS GONE TO ENGLAND ON A WORLD UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATIONS SCHOLARSHIP.

3. THE INTERIOR MINISTRY YESTERDAY RELEASED THE NAMES OF 198 DETAINEES WHO AS OF OCTOBER ARE NO LONGER BEING HELD BY THE EXECUTIVE UNDER STATE OF SIEGE PROVISIONS. THE LIST INCLUDES THE NAMES OF 13 FOREIGNERS--6 CHILEANS, 2 PARAGUAYANS, A MEXICAN, A BULGARIAN, A PERUVIAN, AN URUGUAYAN AND A SPANISH EX-PRIEST--WHO WERE EXPELLED FROM THE COUNTRY IN OCTOBER. THE COMMUNIQUE DID NOT SPECIFY WHETHER THE OTHERS HAVE BEEN RELEASED OR WERE STILL FACING CRIMINAL CHARGES. HOWEVER, CALL TO HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING GROUP AT FONMINISTRY BY EMBOFF BROUGHT ASSURANCE THAT AT MOST ONLY "ONE OR TWO PERCENT" OF THOSE ON THE LIST COULD STILL BE HELD FOR PROCESSING BY MILITARY OR CIVIL COURTS: "THE REST ARE ON THE STREET," ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY. WE WERE ALSO INFORMED THAT ANOTHER 300 DETAINEES ARE TO BE RELEASED VERY SOON, AND THAT A TOTAL OF SOME 500 MAY BE FREED BEFORE END OF YEAR.

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WE DO NOT RECOGNIZE ANY NAMES ON LIST WHICH ARE FAMILIAR

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